(e) IICT has already demonstrated the process for Cyanuric Chloride to M/s. Cyanides & Chemical Co. Bombay on pilot plant scale. IICT are now inter acting with the party for preparation of design report for 750 TPA commercial plant of the party.

मातृ दुग्ध बैंक

3848. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ला :**
श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दुबे :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश में मातृ दुग्ध बैंकों की स्थापना के भारी अवसर है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस समय देश में ऐसे कितने बैंक कार्यरत हैं और तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या ऐसे और बैंकों के खोले जाने और उनके संवर्धन संबंधी कोई योजनाएं हैं ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री पवन सिंह घाटोवार) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) एक मातृ दुग्ध बैंक 1989 से लोकमान्य तिलक मैमोरियल अस्पताल, बम्बई में चल रहा है ।

(ग) जी, नहीं ।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Contamination of life saving drugs

3849. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Federation of Parenteral Manufacturers of India (FPMT) has expressed serious concern over the growing incidence of contamination of life saving drugs including Intravenous Fluid, being supplied by several companies to hospitals and drug stores;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the major cause of contamination of drugs is the use of the low grade plastic containers and pouches by the manufacturers for packing the drugs; which has rendered about 400 persons blind as per study conducted by the All India Opthalmology Society; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government in regard thereto and whether Government propose to ban the use of plastic containers made of MDP material for packaging of life saving drugs and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. However, The All India Opthalmological Society, New Delhi has reported that some Opthalmic surgeons after using Irrisol (an eye preparation) on their patients came across most-operative complications.

(c) Government has no such proposal to ban the use of plastic containers made of MDP materials for packaging of Intravenous fluids.

Female Infanticide

3850. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of dest ruction of female foetuses per year State-wise during the last three years;

(b) what steps Government have taken to prevent infantiside foetus abortions in the country;

(c) the State where maximum number of female foetus abortions are taking place; and

(d) what special steps have been taken to prevent the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Selective destruction of female foetuses is not permissible under the law.

(b) To prevent the misuse of pre-natal diagnostic techniques for determination of the sex of the foetus, a Bill entitled 'The Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Regulation and Prevention of Misuse) Bill, 1994' had been passed by Parliament in the Monsoon Session of 1994. The President of India gave his assent to the Act on 20-9-1994 and the Act has been published in the gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II dated 20-9-94. The Act will be notified to come into force immediately after the Rules are framed and statutory authorities established.

(c) In view of the position explained in (a) above, the Question does not arise.

(d) The information has been given in (b) above.

Abolition of post of Chief Medical Officer in CGHS (Homoeopathy)

3851. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that posts of senior level Medical Officer (Homoeopathy) for establishing consultancy unit in Indian system of medicine and Homoeopathy have been proposed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the post of Chief Medical Officer (Homoeopathy) in CGHS has been abolished and the same post has been created in Safdarjung Hospital;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government propose to fill up the gap created by the abolished post in any other manner?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The post of Chief Medical Officer in the CGHS has only been transferred, temporarily, to the CGHS Specialist Wing of the Safdarjung Hospital.

(e) No such proposal for the present.

News Item "WHO Puzzled over Surat Epidemic"

3852. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item captioned "WHO still puzzled over Surat Epidemic" which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 14th March, 1995;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) what remedial measures Government propose to take so that the epidemic does not recure in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Technical Advisory Committee, set up by the Government, is considering all aspects of the epidemic and is to submit its report by 31st July, 1995.

(c) The Government has initiated activities like surveillance, training of workers and upgradation of laboratories.

Recruitment of Ad-Hoc Doctors in AIIMS

3853. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently asked the authorities of All India Institute of Medical Science to recruit ad-hoc doctors; if so, the details of such directives and the follow-up action thereon.

(b) what is the number of the doctors terminated/suspended in AIIMS during the period of long strike;